

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/549,760 Confirmation No. : 8427  
First Named Inventor : DeLuca, Patrick  
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Examiner : Blessing M. Fubara  
Docket No. : 104072.B870248  
Title : (Poly(acryloyl-hydroxyethyl starch)-plga composition  
microspheres

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2010. An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. *No additional claims fees are due.*

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.